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'Twas The Night Before Finals

By Kenneth (Montana) Jackson **Assistant Editor**

'Twas the night before finals and all through the college, All the students were studying, trying to gain knowledge. The books were all stacked on the table with care In the hopes that the knowledge soon would be there. Some answers were nestled all snug in their heads, While others had visions of A's instead. Some studied geography and looked at their maps, While others settled down for well earned naps. When out of the test arose such a question, I sprang from my seat like a royal equestrian. I tore through my textbooks and leafed through the pages. I hadn't felt such panic in ages and ages. Like the moon on the breast of a newly opened book,

I studied carefully and closely took a look. And what to my studying eye would appear,

but the answer I needed much to my cheer.

With a little footnote I saw so fast,

I knew in a moment I had the answer at last.

More rapid than eagles the answers they came.

I checked it again and remembered the name:

Now algebra, now geometry, now science, now biology,

On English, on sociology, on chemistry, on psychology.

To the start of the test I arose to the call, "Now test away, test away, test away all.

The unanswered questions on the test's so sly. I rise to the occasion and through it, I fly. So on to the next page the questions they flew

with intricate answers I was sure that I knew. Oh, in a twinkle I saw in my notes

Another answer I needed, captioned in quotes.

As I wrote the last answer and put my test down,

The teacher loomed fretfully all crinkled and frown'd.

He was dressed in a suit coat from his feet to his chin.

And in his right hand was a red marking pen.

His face was so rigid, I thought it would crack,

And we cautiously laid our tests in a stack.

His temples how they flexed, his eyes were glaring.

His cheeks were on fire. His nostrils were flaring. His droll little mouth was drawn down in a frown.

He was grading those papers and throwing them down.

The stump of his pen he held in his teeth

While smoke from his ears circled his head like a wreath.

He had a completely red face and a rather large belly,

That shook when he growled like a dish full of jelly.

He was a crabby old teach, a right evil old elf.

But I laughed when I saw him in spite of myself.

A wink of his eye and a twist of his head

Soon let us all know we had plenty to dread.

He spoke not a word, but continued to work,

And after each test, he would uncontrollably jerk.

Then laying the last final aside

and giving a laugh he darted outside.

He ran to his car. The ignition he turned.

He threw it in gear. His tires he burned.

But we heard him exclaim as he caught second gear

"Ha Ha! you all flunked, I'll see you next year."

Tuition & Room/Board Rates Established for 1990-91 Academic Year

During their November meeting, the Avila College Board of Trustees approved the 1990-91 institutional budget, including revised tuition, room and board rates. Full-time undergraduate tuition will increase 9.2%, from \$5,950.00 to \$6,500.00 per academic year. Graduate tuition will increase to \$180/\$190 per credit hour. Part-time undergraduate credit hour costs will increase to \$150.00. These increases are determined by examining the costs of operation for the college as well as the necessary tuition income to provide a balanced budget.

Room and board rates in the residence halls will be \$2,900.00 for the full year in double rooms; \$3,400.00 per year in single rooms, as space permits.

The College Administration releases tuition information at the end of the Fall Semester to allow students to consider and contract for the Guaranteed Tuition Program. This Program, designed for full-time students, freezes a current student's tuition at \$5,950.00 for four complete years. The contract is due December 15, 1989 and must be accompanied by a premium cost of \$595.00 (10% of the current tuition rate). The College can only offer this opportunity during the first semester. This is one way that Avila College can help you beat the high costs of tuition over a four year period. Contracts and details about the program are available in the Office of Student Life, the Business Office and the Financial Aid Office.

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A Farewell to Ferris

By Jeff Kraus

I think anyone who has been at Avila in the last seven years either as a student, or a member of the faculty, would agree with me as I offer my deepest thanks and best wishes to Scott Royal Ferris. I was fortunate enough to have spent all four of my college years with this man as not only my coach but also my good friend. He spent timeless hours determining when and where each Avila sports team would play. Coach Ferris was and probably will always be Avila's true Rah Rah Man! Coach Ferris, as I usually referred to him as, used to tell the soccer team a certain phrase before most of our more important games. This was a phrase that he truly believed in and after four years of varsity soccer, I believe in it also. This phrase does not only apply to athletes but anyone involved in something they want to give 100% in accomplishing. This phrase is "I gave everything I could give and what I didn't give, I lost forever." I think Coach Ferris gave everything he could to not only his soccer team but also to this school. Thank you Coach Ferris and wife Julie for everything you have done for me personally and for Avila College.

Jeff Kraus: How long were you at Avila College?

Scott Royal Ferris: 7 years.

Kraus: How many working hours did you dedicate to Avila weekly?

Ferris: Usually 60 sometimes more but never less.

Kraus: What was your title while you were at Avila?

Ferris: I was the first Athletic Director here at Avila plus I was head soccer coach each year.

Kraus: What will you miss most about Avila?

Ferris: That would have to be all my players, the people with whom I worked with at Avila, and anyone I grew to know through

Kraus: What will your two fondest memories be of Avila?

Ferris: One would have to be when the soccer team defeated Benedictine to advance to the National Tournament, and next would have to be when the basketball team beat Drury College four

Kraus: Will you be involved with Avila College at all anymore?

Ferris: Sure, I have offered my assistance to the school in electing a new Athletic Director and soccer coach. I will also remain a strong supporter of all Avila sports and the booster club.

Kraus: What is your coaching record since being at Avila?

Ferris: 93-31-18.

Kraus: What will your exact title be at the University of Missouri -Kansas City?

Ferris: I will be the Assistant Director of Student Auxiliary Services, Swinney Recreation Center.

Kraus: Will you miss coaching

Ferris: Sure, I'll really miss the one on one contact with my play-

Kraus: Do you ever think you will become involved with coaching soccer again?

Ferris: I'm not real sure, let's just say I'm leaving the door open.

Kraus: What are you most looking forward to at U.M.K.C.?

Ferris: I'm looking forward to the challenge of a new career, and a new responsibility. U.M.K.C. is a totally different program than

Kraus: Did your role as a father and a family man have anything to do with your decision to leave Avila?

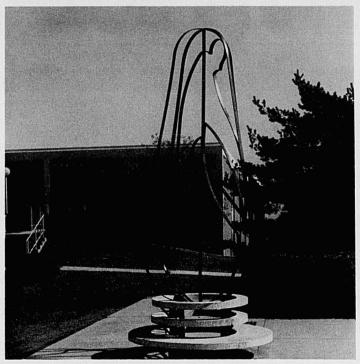
Ferris: 100%, this job at U.M.K.C. will allow me to spend more time with my family. I love Avila and everyone associated with the school but this is just an opportunity I couldn't pass up.

Kraus: If you had to leave Avila with some last words, what would they be?

Ferris: I would tell everyone at this school that they are the unique individuals that make Avila what it is today. This is one heck of a place, and I will miss being able to spend each day with everyone

Be Informed

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The symbolic dove, a peaceful reflection that we're willing to allow others to live harmoniously and safely? Or the cage, warning of capture and display of any opposing our dominance?

'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house,



A symbolic beacon, guiding space others toward our planet? Or a nuclear warhead, signalling our strength and apparent willingness to

the enduring strength and stability

of the pyramid: a vigilant warhead

signal, it is not. In 1989 as in 1972,

the welded-steel dove reflects the

Vietnam veteran Swindler's uni-

versal symbol for peace: a meta-

phoric affect for capture, it is not.

tured in various Kansas City news-

papers and magazines across the

years - - their readers, perhaps,

necessarily viewing more than the

aesthetic images cemented here

on Avila campus.

The sculptures have been pic-

Editorial Comment

By LeAnne Alexander, Editor and Kenneth (Montana) Jackson, Assistant Editor

As the semester draws to a close, many tasks have been accomplished. We, as students, have completed another semester toward graduation. As student groups, we have completed another semester's programs. These completions have come through hard work, late nights, and determination to finish the tasks. There have been tears, sweat and probably some pain.

The Examiner is no exception to these trials. We began the year with a goal. Our goal was to do our best with the paper and to improve it wherever possible. In our drive to reach our goal, we have stayed up late, dealt with mental stress and occasionally verbal abuse. We have fought for our values and standards; we have cried with exhaustion; and we have cheered with each accomplishment.

Each accomplishment gave those of us who stuck it out, a reason to go on. We go on because we want to reach our goal, we want to achieve. Therefore, for all of you who support us, our sincerest thanks. For those who did not support us, we also offer thanks...for you are the ones who gave us our sincerest determina-

Have a Merry Christmas.

THE MYSTERY SOLVED!

By Bill Beaver

During the 1971-72 school year at Avila, Sister Colette Doering (pronounced D-A-R-I-N-G) taught sculpture and ceramics. Amidst the arriving students to Avila College that school year, two students -- William Russel Ross and Lowell Swindler, Jr. - - enrolled in Sister Colette's sculpture class. Encouraged and supported by Sister Colette, Ross and Swindler executed plans for major projects. By the end of May 1972, the sculptures pictured above, their projects, they had completed: incarnating forever Ross and Swindler's ideals for the future of our

The Hunt

I ran chasing that thievin' mouse.

Traps were set by the chimney with care

In the hopes that furball would catch a snare.

The children were nestled all snug in their beds:

With visions, I'm sure, of my hunt in their heads.

When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter

The moon on the breast of the new-fallen snow

When what to my wondering eyes should appear,

With a little cold shiver, my heart beating quick,

I surrendered the house - - to their St. Nick.

I feared for my life; that mouse didn't matter.

Away to the window I charged in a dash,

Tore open the shutters and fired a flash.

Reflected the kill from my M-16's blow.

Hundreds more mice with a leader to fear.

And Mama in her kerchief, and I in my cap,

Had just strategized the night's battle map.

By Bill Beaver

country. Working through the rain and mud of the 1972 spring, Ross constructed his pyramid-shaped structure implanted adjacent Marian Centre; Swindler and a partner Reed Ludwich constructed the steel dove work marking the entrance to Blasco Hall.

William Ross's work, the pyramid, Sister Colette classifies "constructivism, a building with materials." Lowell Swindler's work, the dove, Sister Colette classifies a "welded line structure." Supplies for both works were donated by professional companies and local sources. Sister Olive Louise Dallavis, Avila College President at that time, contacted construction companies for the necessary preparatory mixing and digging services - - services and supplies those companies donated, also, for the works.

All necessities provided, Ross and Swindler designed and planned then assembled and completed their projects by graduation day of 1972. Their works well-accepted by the campus, the two students received honor by the dean at that May's graduation convocation. In 1989 as in 1972, the pyramid structure symbolizes

The Student Senate is now

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support in this first semester and to wish you all the best of this holiday season. Good luck on your finals and papers. Please feel free to contact any of your student senators with any concerns, questions

Senate

By Brett Reinert

winding down it activities for a very successful first semester. We have just completed a series of student open forums, and although attendance was low, we feel that an effort must be made to hear the concerns of the student body. We know that there are many concerns out there and we will try to address them in the future. Right now the schedule is being planned for second semester and things are shaping up rather quickly, all-ready, plans are on the drawing board for another student senate program during ethics on campus week that will rival the Great Condom Debate of

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Tues. March 27	Thurs. March 29	Thurs. April 5
Tues. April 24	Thurs. April 26	Thurs. May 3

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Christmas Stress

By Brett Reinert

'Twas the week before finals and all through the halls, students were thinking, their hands scratching skulls. The papers were being typed, late night with great care; in hopes that they finish before sunup was there. The kids were not snug all tucked into bed, they had four more chapters to type before they could rest. I in my robe, my slippers and thinking cap had just settled down at my keyboard to cry. When all of a sudden there arose such a clatter, I sprang from my seat to see what was the matter. I ran to the door and tripped over my chair, hit my head on my

bed and fell on butt-sky. Then what to my tired, red eyes should appear, than a dictionary, thesaurus and 9 books about Trotsky, I went right to work and 12 hours later, I had 8 pages typed, I'd finished a full paper. On pronouns, on adjectives, on verbs and on adverbs, on gerunds, on participles, on prepositions and on other words. Type away, type away, type away all! To the paper, to the pages, to the stack of trash in the hall, now type away, type away, type away all! And I solemnly promised as I shut off my machine, never to dawdle on papers again. Next semester

was nigh and changed things could be, I'd start on my papers at least by April fifteenth (or was that my taxes?). In any event, as my head hit the pillow, I swear I could hear someone tapping on my window. I looked out to see a wonderful sunrise, but I really didn't care, so tired were my eyes. As I drifted off to sleep an hour before class, I thought to myself, "I'm so tired I could die and if I don't get some major sleep in the next 5 to 10 hours I'm going to be in a MAJOR bad mood and if that happens...

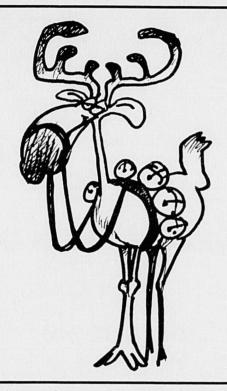
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Wishes for "An Ol' Fashioned Christmas"

By Kenneth (Montana) Jackson Assistant Editor

Does anybody remember when Christmas sales and advertising started a few weeks after Thanksgiving? Seems like most people in retail sales think the Christmas season starts in October with a couple of pauses for Halloween and Thanksgiving.

No where in the story of the birth of Christ does it say that God told Mary she was going to bring forth a child that would bring rejoicing to the retail world. Nor does it say that the three wise men were J.C. Penney, Wards and Sears. Nor were the animals meant to be shoppers being led off to the Christmas slaughter.

"A Christmas Story" has been twisted until Scrooge is the person who will not spend a month's pay at the store, who consequently is visited by the three ghosts...Wholesale, Retail and Mark-Up. Santa's helpers are behind the gift selection counter, Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer is promoting home lighting and Santa Claus is U.P.S.

Frosty the Snowman is at the local convenience store; Alvin and the Chipmunks are into Christmas rock and Mrs. Claus has her own designer collection.

Snow comes in handy, disposable, no mess cans and "Real" Christmas trees are plastic and therefore must be decorated with hand-made-assembly-line-works-of-art from Taiwan.

Santa drinks Coke, Rudolph drinks Pepsi and the only way to get a homestyle Christmas dinner is to have it delivered in 30 minutes or less or your next one's free.

A new sled is being offered by Chevy. You can skate along in a new Ford or you can drive away Chrysler's new ride with no down payment or interest for 90 days.

"Silent Night" is when the shops are closed. "Oh Come All Ye Faithful" is an advertising slogan aimed at the consumer and "Angels We Have Heard On High" are leading actresses promoting new products.

What all this actually means is that when you think it is time to "Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen," the mailman will deliver your "First Noel," with a little reminder on it stating payment is due immediately, making you want to "Deck The Halls" and curse to the "Angels from the Realms Of Glory." The "Jingle Bells" ring and it is "Jolly Old Saint Nicholas" the bill collector who has "Come A Wassailing" since "The Twelve Days Of Christmas" are over making you wish you were "Up On The Housetop" or "Away In The Manger."

"Oh Holy Night," just give me "An Ol' Fashioned Christmas!"

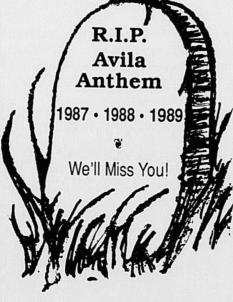


We Have Trouble Brewing

By Bill Beaver

The first of December, 1989, we have trouble brewing. Ah, I smelled the stew as early as mid-October. The perfect stew ingredients - - weather change, time change, steady course load, and underacknowledged children - - blended to boiling by finals week can create tension, discontent, disharmony, and other parent-child diseases. The student-parent-employee-with-children-at-homestew, when ingested, poisons. I have sipped a spoonful or two myself, consequently feeling feverish, but I am recovering. Read on for my recovery prescription that works.

Warm up an adjacent burner on the stove: the one marked "Mychildren's-mental-health-and-mine-are-important." At mid-heat add a dash of "I love you" into a ten-gallon kettle. Slice equal portions of time, studies, work, you - - add to kettle and stir gently but steadily. Let that brew simmer while you gather your under nurtured loved ones for one-to-one activity. By now the remedy-stew scent should take effect, producing a calmer, more stabilized environment. Enjoy, your family will.



Avila Men's Basketball Team Wins **Tournament**

The Avila College men's basketball team beat Culver-Stockton College and Sterling College to win the Avila College Frontier Bag Classic held November 17-19.

The Avalanche returned from a 21 point deficit to score 106 points and defeat Sterling College of Sterling, KS, Friday evening.

All five Avila starters wee in double figures for the evening. David Paul led the team with 26 points, followed by Dennis Hallblade, 20; Seth Norwood, 17; Tony Wilson, 17; and Kevin Lowder, 12.

Box scores and players' home towns

Name	Pts.	Rebs.	Assists	Hometown
David Paul	26	8	2	Monmouth, IL
Dennis Hallblade	20	5	2	Shawnee, KS
Seth Norwood	17	3	9	Lawrence, KS
Tony Wilson	17	7	4	South Bend, IN
Kevin Lowder	12	3	1	Chicago, IL

In Saturday evening's game, 6'9" Matt O'Hara netted 15 points and grabbed 12 rebounds to lead Culver-Stockton of Canton, MO to a 80/67 win over Sterling. Despite the loss, Sterling players connected on 10 threepoint fieldgoals.

Box scores

CSC: Heaton, 11; Leake, 10; Bangert, 14; O'Hara, 15; Legsdon, 10; Fox, 8; Loetten, 8; Mecklenburg, 3.

Sterling: Comley, 6; Kauffman, 3; Ashley, 2; Webster, 3; Paramore, 23; Wilson, 5; Childress, 25 Total: 67.

Avila led from the start in the tournament's finals to beat Culver-Stockton 88-77. Senior Guard Seth Norwood iced 11 of 11 free throws.

Box scores

Avila: Norwood, 18; Andujo, 2; Lowder, 8; Pickett, 5; Hallblade, 11; Paul, 10; R. Wilson, 8; Harris, 4; T. Wilson, 20. Total 88

CSC: Heaton, 15; Leake, 12; Bangert, 6; O'Hara, 15; Legsdon, 14; Fox, 8; Loethen, 7. Total 77.

Avila players Norwood and David Paul were voted to the All-Tournament team along with Matt O'Hara and Joe Leake of Culver-Stockton, and Lonnie Paramore of Sterling.

"This was an excellent set of victories for our team," said Coach Bill Wiesbrook of Avila College. "I was pleased with the balanced scoring effort from the starters." He added, "Our substitutes also played well."

Avila improves to a 2 and 2 overall record. Their next opponent is Baker University of Baldwin, KS, November 21.

The Avila tourney was played in the Mabee Fieldhouse on the Avila campus, 11901 Wornall Road, Kansas City, MO, and was sponsored by Frontier Bag, Inc. of Grandview, MO.

Christmas Hamster Giveaway

Hamster sow offers you here second-born pup. Pup has been weaned from mom, trained to accept cage-invading fingers, and taught in-cage-only excretory behaviors. Mother sow claims here pup is carpet safe, but recommends you allow pup's carpet perusal solely on one of those wear-dated, nonstainable types in case you're a heavy-footed walker. Pup will nestle easily in the palm of your hand, without excessive gnawing tactics applied to escape. Pup comes to you equipped with its full set of vampirish incisors; so it can eat about anything you can fit into its cage. Pup has presently acclimated to store-solid hamster food, fried egg, chocolate morsels, milk, Life cereal, oatmeal, most other cereals, and whatever it finds germinating in my seldom-vacuumed carpet. If you can offer the little crumb snatcher a loving, attentive environment free from cats, dogs, snakes, or ferrets, contact Bill Beaver in Human Resources, ext. 266.

Intramurals

Deadline	Play Dates	
Feb. 2	Coed Basketball Tournament	Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28 Mar. 7, 14
March 30	Men's Volleyball Tournament	April 3, 10, 17, 24
March 30	Women's Indoor Soccer	April 5, 12, 19, 26
April 23	Coed 1 Pitch Softball	April 29
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Avila College 1989-90 Men's Basketball Roster

Home #	Name	Pos.	Ht.	ΥĽ	Hometown ·
10	Seth Norwood	G	5'7"	SR	Lawrence, KS
14	Kevin Dudzik	G	5'11"	JR	Edmond, OK
20	Julio Anduju	G	5'7:	SO	Champaign, IL
22	Kewin Lowder	G	6'1"	FR	Harvey, IL
24	Chris Pickett	G	6'1"	SO	Chicago, IL
30	Chris Wagner	G	6'1"	SO	Atchison, KS
32	Dennis Hallblade	F	6'4"	SO	Shawnee, KS
34	David Paul	G/F	6'2"	SR	Monmouth, IL
40	Rob Wilson	F	6'4"	FR	St. Louis, MO
42	Keith Harris	F	6'3"	FR	St. Louis, MO
44	Tony Wilson	F	6'3"	JR	South Bend, IN
50	Glen Hughes	C	6'6"	SR	Kansas City, MO
52	Jason Porter	F/C	6'5"	JR	Independence, MO

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than you think. If you enjoy sun and

fun contact the Intramurals staff

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All articles will be turned in each Tuesday before Copy Due Date no later than 6 p.m. in the Student Activities Room.

All articles will be typed.

All articles will be proofed first by Montana and secondly by

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Articles not turned in by this time will not appear in the newspaper.

Articles not rewritten will not appear in the newspaper.

Each member of the Avila Examiner will be expected to help with distribution on Thursday unless other arrangements are made with LeAnne or Montana.

All of the above guidelines are expected to the followed if you plan on being apart of the New Avila Examiner Team.